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Some Facts of History.

The Register is somewhat mixed up in its history, in replying to the Intelligencer's challenge to show that President McKinley ever denounced "the policy in the Philippines as criminal aggression." Our neighbor supports the contention by saying: "In his message to Congress, December 6, 1897, Mr. McKinley said: 'I speak not of forcible annexation, for that cannot be thought of. That, by our code of morality, would be criminal aggression.'" It is true that the President, in that message, referred only to Cuba, but the Register's statement was, literally, that Admiral Dewey "plainly repudiated the policy of the administration in the Philippines, which Mr. McKinley himself, a year or so ago, called criminal aggression." Now, as to the facts, which show a difference and a distinction:

In the first place, this message of the President was written four months before the war was declared between the United States and Spain for Cuban freedom. The President was pleading with Congress to avert war, and was asking it to be left to diplomatic settlement, and the Democracy and some Republicans were trying to force war. There was talk of forcible annexation of Cuba, which we then had no right to consider, because there was no war with Spain.

The message noted that the administration was trying to prevail on Spain to give Cuba an automatic government, and avoid force. He was denounced as a "coward" for this course by the Democrats in Congress, and four months later was forced to war by the sentiment in the country. The Philippines were never mentioned. No Spanish possessions in the Pacific ever figuring in the matter. It was not until the first of May following that they were regarded as a factor. It was the first blow of the war, and practically foretold the result.

President McKinley referred solely and only to Cuba, and what the Register quoted was in an argument to Congress against recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents, for, he continued, after stating his reasons: "I regard the recognition of the belligerency of Cuban insurgents as now unwise and therefore inadmissible. Should that step hereafter be deemed wise as a measure of right and duty the Executive will take it." He was then interceding with Spain on Cuba's behalf for Cuban autonomy. Incidentally, we make remark that this same message urged the ratification of the treaty of annexation of Hawaii, against the protest of the men who are to-day anti-expansionists, and after a Democratic President had ordered down the American flag at Honolulu.

As above remarked, President McKinley could not possibly have foreseen the Philippine situation, nor declare any policy concerning them. Dewey's victory was accomplished on May 1, four months later, and afterward, under his protection our military forces defeated the Spanish troops. When the treaty of peace was arranged at Paris, long after the war had closed, the Philippines were formally ceded to the United States, which assumed the responsibility for peace and order and the establishment of a proper government with a full measure of civil liberty, and is to-day engaged in carrying out that sacred obligation, the President backed by the majority of the people of the country.

As for the permanent policy (the form of government, whether it be that proposed for Cuba, with an American protectorate, or annexation) it is wholly with Congress and the Executive, and with no other power in the United States.

Ignored the Issue.

The letter which Lieutenant Van Duzer wrote Senator Scott, and the publication of which in this paper, set some people to thinking, must have injured the Register's feelings. Ignoring the importance of the statements made in the letter—the ones of greatest moment, it attempts to point out one or two alleged inadvertencies which it thought it found in the Intelligencer's comment, and quoted a dispatch from Admiral Dewey sent before the war closed, more than one year ago. Lieutenant Van Duzer's letter was written less than two months ago, and

months after Dewey left the scene. A fatal omission made by the Register, one that it paid no attention to, because it knew the Intelligencer did not misquote Lieutenant Van Duzer, was this statement in the letter: "Every eloquent anti-expansion speech or editorial means so many more dead American soldiers and sailors."

If the Register is really on the side of humanity let it heed this warning from a reputable officer at the very seat of the operations—a loyal sailor in the service of the country, and not a newspaper correspondent for the benefit of the organs of the anti-league.

What Will Ohio Do?

The Intelligencer is personally interested in the success of the Republican cause in Ohio this fall, because it is a Republican paper that circulates in Ohio, and because Ohio is expected to endorse its favorite son. The Intelligencer would like, therefore, to know what Ohio's loyal citizens, Democrats and Republicans, think of their Democratic congressman from the Twelfth district, John Jacob Lents, and the figure he cut on the Sabbath day at the meeting of the New England Bimetallist League, when he said: "The question of the hour is a brutal warfare against an innocent people." Also his further assertion that "if the flag is to stand for murder and repression, for the extinction of liberty for God-given rights of a struggling people, then I say down with such a flag."

These tributes are paid the Tagal brutes who have been shooting down our soldiers, and who sought to burn the city of Manila and massacre all foreigners, whose protection the United States was under obligations to secure. A suggestion is made that Congressman Lents would substitute the white flag of surrender for the stars and stripes.

One of the remarks made by this Ohio Democratic leader was that this "unjust war will eventually result in the murder of Aguinaldo, who is one of the heroic figures of this generation." To shoot down in battle the commander of a body of half-savage insurgents against the authority of the United States is murder, according to Mr. Lents.

Are the citizens, the loyal, true citizens of Ohio, who have never yet been disloyal to their country, and many of whom reside in the Twelfth district, going to endorse these expressions from their representative in Congress? Will it be by endorsing John R. McLean's platform this fall?

Miss Grant's Coming Wedding.

Miss Julia Dent Grant, the granddaughter of General U. S. Grant, who is to be wedded to the Russian Prince Cantacuzine, is to have the most magnificent trousseau ever made in France, and the present she will receive from her aunt, Mrs. Potter-Palmer, is reported to be a half-million dollars. Russian colors will predominate in her wedding gowns, and in the ceremony she will wear in her hair a fluttering handkerchief gold butterfly, while her long-trained skirt will glisten with the threads of shining real gold. So delicately contrived is the butterfly and so exquisitely is it put together, that "a whisper of air will set its wings fluttering like a real butterfly in its flight, and it is considered the most marvelous piece of jewelry ever devised."

Think of it, ye Americans! If plain old General Grant, who despised pomp and ceremony, were alive to witness his granddaughter in this regal array marry a real prince, by the grace of the czar of all the Russias, what would he think of it? But as we recall that Russia was a friendly nation in the war in which the great commander won his fame, and at one time rendered good service, we may not regret that his descendant has given her hand to a Russian prince with a clear title, instead of a besotted and impoverished offspring of broken down French nobility, a relic of a departed empire, merely for the sake of the title on one side and money on the other side.

It is possible that Tuesday morning the announcement of the verdict of the court martial in the Dreyfus case may be announced. The evidence having been completed, the argument of counsel has begun. This promises to develop much bitterness on both sides, for French attorneys are not given to modesty in making references to the opposite side, and if some duels and popular demonstrations do not result it will be a miracle. If they do result it will be perfectly natural. Whether Dreyfus is convicted or cleared there will be warm times in France.

Dreyfus stock is fluctuating. One day it is up and the next day it goes down a few notches. It is now a mere matter of speculation. There seems to be logic in the observance of the New York Press to the effect that justice will have little or nothing to do with the fate of the prisoner. Political and military expediency will determine his case, with what result to Dreyfus one cannot guess, for it is doubted if the conspirators will decide till the last moment whether they dare do what they had already resolved to do before the new trial was near its end or even was begun.

In view of Altgeld's recent attitude toward Bryan, the papers having reported him as making an hour's speech without mentioning the Nebraska's name, a gifted bard sends to the New York Press the following verselet, which is alleged to be addressed by Bryan to Altgeld:

I don't want to play in your yard,
I don't love you any more,
You'll be sorry when you see me
Playing on the White House floor.
You can't hold down our silver barrel,
You can't shake our 'tremor tree,
You can't come to play in my yard,
If you talk and don't talk ME!

A contemporary suggests that if the members of the court martial at Rennes, not being sworn to render a verdict as nothing has been proven against him, they might condemn him for smoking cigarettes. Smoking cigarettes seems to be the only crime Dreyfus is guilty of.

The remarkable statement is made that Perry Belmont, always regarded as hostile to Bryan, is now for him, and has undergone a most remarkable change of heart. He is following in

the wake of Croker. The more such cases the merrier. It will only serve to widen the split in the New York Democracy; for does not Bryan insist on the reaffirmation of the Chicago platform, including the sixteen-to-one feature?

With an attendance of more than seventeen thousand at the state fair yesterday, Thursday may be called the banner day in that respect. To-day is Children's Day, and that means many thousands of the growing up young Americans will have a day of rare enjoyment, weather permitting, and we sincerely hope that it will.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS.

Adversity often makes a vain person humbler and wiser.
One of the worst traits of humanity is insincerity.

Every man has his favorites—and he usually heads the list.
The prettiest girl at the banquet is the dinner belle.

Matches kindle all kinds of flames—including that of jealousy.
It is difficult to pose as an optimist when the rent collector calls.

Happiness is very unsatisfactory when seen through the eyes of others.
If a man can't trust himself he has no right to expect others to trust him.

People who are always harping on their troubles have a lasting topic of conversation.

Experience is a great teacher, but somehow the average man never lives long enough to graduate.
It is remarkable how very important it makes a man feel the first time he sees his name in print.

The popularity of summer boat excursions is conclusive proof that men can have a good time on water occasionally.

An Ohio man who admits he is superstitious attributes it to the fact that he was once caught in a rain storm while arrayed in a \$13 suit of clothes—Chicago Daily News.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

A man married for love; a woman loves for marriage.
The more brains a woman has the less she likes to be called "brainless."

Love is like huckleberry pie; the more you like it, the less you care how much of it you get all over your face.

No woman can listen two minutes to a drunken man's hard luck story without seeing traces of his better nature.

If the women really believed that the men were as wicked as they pretend to be they wouldn't hesitate so long about marrying them.—New York Press.

A Case of Leprosy.

New Orleans Times-Democrat: A melancholy looking man with thin black whiskers, and a fat man who was apparently his exact opposite in temperament, were the only passengers on a suburban trolley car the other afternoon, and naturally enough they fell into conversation. One topic led to another and sustained the thread of talk, but the melancholy looking man gave every evidence of preoccupation. "I am a little out of sorts to-day," he said at last, "and I don't mind telling you that reason. I have a case of leprosy that!" "Holy Smoke!" yelled the fat man, scrambling to his feet and making for the door as fast as he could waddle. "Here! Hold on a moment," called the other. "I want to tell you"—"I've heard all I want to," replied the fat man over his shoulder. "Lemme me off quick!" he gasped, as soon as he reached the platform; "that fellow in there has the leprosy!"

The conductor turned pale green and jerked the bell cord. After the fat man disembarked he looked cautiously through the door. "Hello!" said the melancholy stranger, getting up and starting down the aisle, "what's the matter with that fool anyhow?" "He's scared!" replied the conductor, preparing to jump over the end plate. "Scared!" "Yes, scared!" He says you've got a case of leprosy." The melancholy gentleman chuckled. "So I have," he returned, "a case—under observation. I'm a doctor, my friend, and—" "Oh!" said the conductor, drawing a long breath and regaining his natural complexion; "then somebody else has it!" "Exactly," responded the melancholy man; "the poor fellow who has the disease is in a parish two hundred miles away. That's what I was trying to tell that fat idiot when he leaped into space." The conductor laughed heartily. "Sprising how sneaky some people is," he remarked.

Made for the Purpose.

Boston Journal: At least twice a year you read about enthusiastic men and women throwing watches and jewelry on the altar at a revival meeting. Valuable watches have in this manner been ruined beyond repair, even when the aim was true as that of William Tell, parent and patriot. We are glad to learn that a prominent house is now manufacturing watches for use at such charitable manifestations. These watches are large and the works are in a massive hunting case. The price is \$1.00. The watch will be an admirable Christmas gift from a wealthy business man to a faithful and veteran clerk.

A Mean Man's Finish.

Minneapolis Journal: A Sioux City man gave a note recently without a revenue stamp on it. He said it was unnecessary, as he would pay it in a few days. When the note became due he refused to pay it, and pleaded as a defense that there was no stamp on it. He won that case, but now he is under arrest, charged with violating the revenue law, and the note has already amounted to several times more than the note. A mean man always gets "caught up with" in the long run.

Sleep, My Little One, Sleep.

Drifting across an unknown sea—
Sleep, my little one, sleep;
"Tis summer for you, but watch for me—
Yet slumber so gently, my sweet,
Your work will wait for a fairer day,
Where the angels await to take your hand,
And I know you'll ne'er come back to me—
So sleep, my pretty one, sleep.

"Tis better my heart should yield the tears—
Hush—by Baby, don't weep!
And the pains that come through the passing years,
Then soft be thy sleeping—and sweet—
"Tis that that the fingers of Care can't trace
Thy miseries o'er thy dear face,
Or wake to life thy slumbering fears—
So sleep, my little one, sleep!"

Perhaps, when the stuggle's nearly o'er—
All trouble most over, my Sweet,
I'll see you again on that fairy shore.
Waiting your mother, to meet:
Then you'll kiss the care from off my brow—
And dry the hot tears that are falling now—
And we'll have each other forevermore,
Each other forever, my Sweet!

—Philadelphia Times.

Music for Nervousness.

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Is Still Prominent in Democratic Platforms—McLean's Candidacy.

New York Journal of Commerce: Mr. John R. McLean is a gentleman of large fortune, high ambitions and great skill as a politician, though he has generally used this skill and his other resources for the immediate benefit of other persons than himself. He has now secured the Democratic nomination for governor of Ohio, and if he can be elected he will probably displace Mr. Bryan as the "logical" candidate of the Democracy for the Presidential nomination. It is thought by some that he does not expect to be elected governor, but is acquiring a position in the politics of the state which will make him the successor of Senator Foraker. So far this is merely a political matter without concern to the business of the country, but Mr. McLean has had adopted by the convention which nominated him a platform not only generally reaffirming the Chicago platform, but specifically demanding the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 without regard to the action of any other nations. There is no disguise about the free silver issue here. The business community cannot be indifferent to Mr. McLean's present ambition, whether he is looking toward the senate or the white house. As a stump speaker he may not be the equal of Mr. Bryan, but he is probably a more astute politician; he has proved himself a great factor in Ohio politics, and he has very large resources at his command. He regards the free silver issue as potent enough with the masses of the people to make it worth while to put it forward as the foremost feature of a political programme.

News comes from Virginia that in spite of the wonderful improvement in the condition of business and the farmers since 1895, every county in the state has declared for free silver in its Democratic convention. This is not singular. The people, we believe, care less about free silver than they did three years ago, but the great mass of them see no reason why they should drop it. There is a floating vote that goes against the existing state of things, whatever that may be, when times are very bad. It does not always reverse this proposition and sustain the administration of the day when times are good; it is uncertain in good times. But the great bulk of the Democratic party is not made up of floating voters; it is a compact party, attached to its name and organization, and under the delusion that it is consistent in its history and policy. Having adopted free silver as an issue, nothing but a long series of defeats would lead it to drop the issue, and it is not certain that anything short of a general break-up and re-organization would do that. Among those who do not care a great deal, free coinage is not nearly so strong as it was three years ago, but the party leaders do not deem it time to throw the issue over, and the great bulk of the party consists of victims to the delusion that while cheap money will make bad times good it can be equally trusted to make good times better. Consequently prosperity does not disturb their faith. The practical lesson for the Republican party is that the opposition is sure to attract and hold all the cheap money voters, and its best policy is to make equally certain of getting the support of every sound money element in the country.

Seeing his Name in Print.

New Orleans Times-Democrat: "Some people are so crazy to see their names in print," said an amateur cynic the other day, "that they would be willing to die if they could only read their death notices."

"Did you ever actually know of a case of that kind?" asked an old reporter in the group.
"I can't say I ever did," replied the amateur cynic.
"Well, I have," said the reporter. "The star actor in the little affair was a lumberman, and a pretty well known lumberman, too. He doesn't live hereabouts now, and I suppose it would be safe to tell the story. This lumberman conceived the idea that he was a very valuable and popular citizen in the community where he lived. The hallucination was unshared by any of his fellow beings, but it had such a firm hold on his mind that on one occasion, when he was in New York, he decided to wire home that he had been found dead, merely to get a chance to perpetrate the delusion. He had at once adopted the theory that he died from the results of a big spree, and printed a spurious story of his past career to support the hypothesis. They also intimated that the community would struggle along nicely without him. After he had digested these pleasing tributes he concluded not to send the other telegram, but to return in person and pay his respects to the editors. I forgot now which lickered, but the affair was the talk of the section for months, and eventually cured the lumberman of any hungering for newspaper notoriety. By the way, this yarn is letter true. The incident occurred over in Texas."

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